

**Abstract**—The purpose of this study was to determine if there were differences in the prevalence of musculoskeletal disorders between two groups of nurses working in different departments of a hospital. The study included 100 nurses from the medical-surgical department and 100 nurses from the intensive care unit. Data were collected by means of a questionnaire that assessed demographic characteristics, work conditions, and musculoskeletal symptoms. Results showed that the prevalence of musculoskeletal disorders was higher among nurses in the intensive care unit than among those in the medical-surgical department. The most common disorder was low back pain, followed by neck pain and shoulder pain. The results suggest that interventions aimed at reducing the risk of musculoskeletal disorders should be targeted towards nurses in the intensive care unit.

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